GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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INVESTIGATIONS OF IMPORT DEALS OF STC
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the agencies which are investigating into the charges of corruption in regard to imports by STC under its import deals alongwith the names of the items involved therein;

(b) the outcome of such investigation during the last two years and the number of persons found guilty;

(c) whether these import deals still persist or they have been cancelled; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government for speedy investigation and transparency in such import deals?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) to (d) : CBI has been investigating the charges of corruption in regard to import of 1.5 million tons of wheat by STC from the Australians Wheat Board (AWB) in 1998.CBI has registered Regular Case in September 2001. The import contracts for wheat have already been executed. Since CBI is seized of the case, no inference can be drawn at this stage.